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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

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SUBJ: ROMANIA AT BELGRADE CSCE MEETING: THE PUBLIC RECORD
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1. ROMANIAN PARTY PAPER SCINTEIA HAS RECENTLY RUN SERIES OF
FOUR ARTICLES (JUNE 4, 8, 12 AND 14) DEALING WITH ROMANIAN
ATTITUDES TOWARDS CSCE AND EACH OF THE THREE BASKETS. ABSTRACTING
FROM THESE, ONE RECEIVES FOLLOWING IMPRESSIONS OF WHAT THE
GOR WANTS AND MAY PROPOSE AT THE BELGRADE MEETING.

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2. DISARMAMENT. GOR REGARDS BASKET I AS "KEY" TO PROBLEM OF
EUROPEAN SECURITY. IT CAN BE EXPECTED TO:
---PRESS HARD ONCE AGAIN FOR AT LEAST A COMMITMENT
TO MORE MEANINGFUL DISARMAMENT AND MILITARY DIS-
ENGAGEMENT MEASURES, REFLECTING CEAUSESCU'S DIRECT
INTEREST IN THIS AREA;
---DENIGRATE CBM'S AS "PALLIATIVES", WHOSE EFFECT HAS

BEEN MINIMAL WHEN COMPARED TO ACCELERATION OF ARMS RACE;
---ADVANCE SUCH SPECIFIC PROPOSALS AS A TEN-FIFTEEN
PERCENT ACROSS-THE-BOARD CUT IN DEFENSE BUDGETS, AND A
NON-FIRST USE OF FORCE TREATY, AS WELL AS A PANOPLY OF
PREVIOUS PROPOSALS ADVANCED IN THE UN CONTEXT.

3. ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION. IN BASKET II
DISCUSSIONS, GOR WILL:

---ARGUE THAT WESTERN ECONOMIC STAGNATION MAKES EAST-WEST
ECONOMIC COOPERATION ALL THE MORE IMPERATIVE FOR BOTH
SIDES;
--MAINTAIN THAT THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEASURES OF
BASKET II ALSO HAVE IMPORTANT POLITICAL CONTENT AND
SIGNIFICANCE;
---ALLEGED THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALSO EMBRACES HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS SUCH AS RIGHT TO A JOB, HOUSING, AND
EDUCATION WHICH WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE NOT SUFFICIENTLY
RECOGNIZED, OR SOLVED;
---PRESS ROMANIAN PROPOSALS MADE AT UN EUROPEAN ECONOMIC
COMMISSION ON ACCELERATION OF COOPERATION BY EUROPEAN AND
OTHER STATES IN THE ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL
FIELDS;
---STRESS THE SUB-REGIONAL ASPECTS OF EUROPEAN ECONOMIC
COOPERATION, AND ESPECIALLY THE BALKAN CONTRIBUTION;
---COMPLAIN OF INCREASED RECENT RESTRICTIONS IN ECONOMIC
FIELD, E.G. FISHING, AS WELL AS THE USE OF ECONOMIC POLICY
AS MEANS OF POLITICAL PRESSURE;
---CALL FOR REDUCTION OF ARTIFICIAL ECONOMIC BARRIERS AND
IMPEDIMENTS;
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---PROPOSE A EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL
COOPERATION;
---PROPOSE THAT EUROPEAN STATES ADOPT SOME SORT OF COMMON
ACTION PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE TO LDC'S AND NON-ALIGNED;
---SUPPORT SOVIET PROPOSALS FOR CONFERENCES ON ENERGY,
ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.

4. BASKET III. HERE GOR IS LIKELY TO BE ON THE DEFENSIVE,
FOR EXAMPLE, IT WILL:

---MAINTAIN THAT FINAL ACT IS BASED ON PRINCIPLE OF NON-
INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND THAT PROGRESS IN
CULTURAL AND HUMANITARIAN REALMS MUST RESPECT THIS;
---PROPOSE THE EUROPEAN WIDE ORGANIZATION OF FESTIVALS,
SEMINARS AND COLLOQUIA ON THE ARTS AND CULTURE, CITING
RECENT BUCHAREST "FESTIVAL OF EUROPEAN FRIENDSHIP" AS
EXAMPLE;
---BOAST OF ROMANIAN RECORD ON CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL
EXCHANGES;
---DENOUNCE WESTERN HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN AS DISTORTION

OF FINAL ACT AND DISREGARD OF TRUE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
PROBLEMS WHICHNSXIST IN WESTERN SOCIETY, AS WELL AS AN
INSTIGATION TO EMIGRATION;
---ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE EXIST FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES
OF OPINION BETWEEN EAST AND WEST ON SUBJECT OF
"HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS", BUT URGE THAT THIS NOT LEAD TO
CONFRONTATION;
---SUPPORT PROPOSALS FOR A CONFERENCE ON IMPROVING WORKING
CONDITIONS, PARTICULARLY OF MIGRANT WORKERS;
---CALL FOR A EUROPEAN WIDE CONFERENCE ON MEASURES TO
PREVENT THE SPREADING OF DRUGS, PORNOGRAPHY, VIOLENCE
AND RACISM.

5. THE FUTURE. GOR ARGUES THAT BELGRADE MEETING SHOULD:
---CONTINUE CSCE INITIAL PROGRESS;
---ADOPT MEASURES FOR DEEPENING AND INTENSIFYING APPLICATION
FO FINAL ACT;
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---ESTABLISH NEW INITIATIVES AND DIRECTIONS OF ACTION FOR
STRENGTHENING EUROPEAN SECURITY;
---CONCENTRATE ON "ABSOLUTELY COMITRUCTIVE DISCUSSION" IN
ORDER TO ARRIVE AT "PRACTICAL, CONCRETE AND UNANIMOUSLY
ACCEPTABLE DECISIONS";
---NOT BE LIMITED TO SIMPLE CONSULTATIONS, EXCHANGES OF

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VIEWS, OR AN "INFORMATIVE INVENTORY OF TASKS AND PROBLEMS", WHICH WOULD BE IMMOBILISM;
---PRODUCE CONCRETE ACTION PROGRAM FOR CONTINUATION OF CSCE PROCESS.

6. COMMENT: IN THIS CASE THE PUBLIC ROMANIAN PRONOUNCEMENTS SEEM TO COME VERY CLOSE TO REALITY. THE GOR DOES VERY MUCH WANT THE HELSINKI PROCESS TO CONTINUE AND THIS IS LIKELY TO BE ITS OVERALL TOP PRIORITY AT BELGRADE. WITHIN THE INDIVIDUAL BASKETS, CEAUSESCU'S OWN CONCERN WITH DISARMAMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILL FORCE ROMANIAN DEL TO ACCORD THIS SUBJECT A GREAT DEAL OF ATTENTION. FINALLY, GOR ALSO APPEARS WILLING AND EAGER TO ACT AS LDC AND NAM STALKING HORSE.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ORDER TO FURTHER OUR DISCUSSION WITH ROMANIANS HERE ON CSCE WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING CABLED SUMMARY OF MAY 31-JUNE 1 LIPATTI CONSULTATIONS WASHINGTON.
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